

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

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STEVEN G. WICKS and	:	
GERALD A. KALBFLEISCH,	:	
	:	Civil Action
Plaintiffs,	:	No. 04-10988-GAO
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v.	:	
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PUTNAM INVESTMENT	:	
MANAGEMENT, LLC and	:	
PUTNAM RETAIL MANAGEMENT, LLP,	:	
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Defendants.	:	
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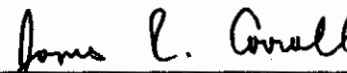
**CERTIFICATE OF DEFENDANTS PUTNAM  
INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, LLC AND PUTNAM  
RETAIL MANAGEMENT, LLP PURSUANT TO LOCAL RULE 16.1(D)(3)**

Pursuant to Local Rule 16.1(D)(3), Defendants Putnam Investment Management, LLC and Putnam Retail Management, LLP and undersigned counsel hereby certify that they have conferred:

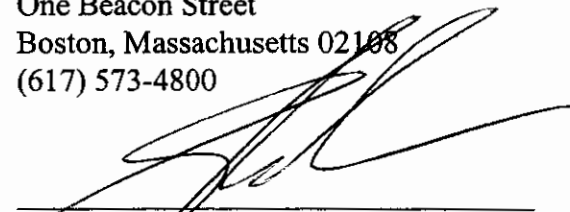
- (a) with a view to establishing a budget for the costs of conducting the full course -- and various alternative courses -- of the litigation;
- (b) to consider the resolution of the litigation through the use of alternative dispute resolution such as those outlined in Local Rule 16.4.

Dated: June 8, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

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